Department of Finance

# STATE OF CALIFORNIA MANUAL OF STATE FUNDS

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#### **Legal Title**

Habitat Conservation Fund

## **Legal Citation/Authority**

Proposition 117, June 1990

Fish and Game Code section 2786

#### **Fund Classification**

**GAAP Basis** 

Governmental/Capital Projects Funds

## **Fund Classification**

**Legal Basis** 

Governmental/Other Governmental Cost Funds

#### **Purpose**

This act provides for the annual transfer of \$30 million from existing environmental funds and General Fund to be used principally for acquisition of deer and mountain lion habitat; and rare and endangered species habitat. Remaining funding for wetlands; riparian and aquatic habitat; open space, and other environmental purposes.

## **Administering Agency/Organization Code**

Wildlife Conservation Board/Org 3640

# **Major Revenue Source**

This measure guarantees \$30 million a year for the next 30 years obtained by transferring monies from various existing environmental funds (including the Unallocated Account, Cigarette and Tobacco Products Surtax Fund, Fund 236) and from the state's General Fund.

#### **Disposition of Fund (upon abolishment)**

Pursuant to Government Code 16346, in the absence of language that identifies a successor fund, any balance remaining in this fund upon abolishment, shall be transferred to the General Fund.

# **Appropriation Authority**

Section 2787 of the Fish and Game Code provides that the money in the fund is continuously appropriated, without regard to fiscal years, as specified.

### **State Appropriations Limit**

Always Excluded - The major revenue source is transferred from another fund which has already been counted in an always excluded fund, the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Surtax Fund (#0230), and should not be double counted.

# **Comments/Historical Information**

Fish and Game Code section 2786 created the Habitat Conservation Fund as a result of voter approval in June 1990 of Proposition 117, the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990.

Monies from the Fund are appropriated to the Wildlife Conservation Board; the Department of Parks and Recreation; State Coastal, Santa Monica Mountains and California Tahoe Conservancies.

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